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FOR MAJOR PROJECTS OFFICE

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TAGS: BENC, EAIR, NU  
SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: NATIONWIDE AIRPORT SYSTEM STUDY

REF: (A) STATE 030888,(B) MANAGUA 0700

1. EMBASSY HAS CONTACTED A NUMBER OF OFFICIALS IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE WITH REGARD TO PROPOSED IBRD-FUNDED NATIONWIDE AIRPORT SYSTEM STUDY. NO FUNDS HAVE BEEN BUDGETED FOR THE STUDY OR THE ACTUAL PROJECT, AND NO DEFINITE PLANS HAVE BEEN MADE TO PROCEED. NEVERTHELESS, THE PROJECT HAS BEEN CONTEMPLATED BY THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE FOR SOME TIME, AND DISCUSSIONS HAVE BEEN HELD WITH THE WORLD BANK. IT IS CONCEIVABLE THAT A GO-AHEAD COULD BE GIVEN IN THE NEAR FUTURE IF WORLD BANK FINANCING WERE TO BECOME AVAILABLE. NICARAGUA'S REGIONAL

AIRPORT SYSTEM IS IN URGENT NEED OF EXPANSION AND IMPROVEMENT. BUT WE REPEAT THAT AT THE MOMENT THERE ARE NO DEFINITE PLANS TO PROCEED WITH THE STUDY OR THE PROJECT.

2. MINISTRY OF DEFENSE OFFICIALS CONFIRM THAT THEY HAVE REQUESTED SIX AMERICAN FIRMS AND ONE BRITISH FIRM TO PRESENT TECHNICAL PROPOSALS FOR THE STUDY. THOSE FIRMS WHO PRESENT ACCEPTABLE PROPOSALS WILL BE PRE-QUALIFIED, AND THEY WOULD THEN BE REQUESTED TO PRESENT FINAL PROPOSALS WHEN FINANCING HAS BEEN ARRANGED AND THE PROJECT GO-AHEAD IS GIVEN. IT IS NOT CLEAR HOW THE SEVEN U.S. AND BRITISH FIRMS

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